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SUBJ: JEWISH EMIGRATION FROM LENINGRAD

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1. CONGEN SOURCE (DIFFERENT FROM SOURCE OF INFO REFTEL)
INFORMED POLOFF THAT ONE OF REFUSENIK FAMILIES MENTIONED
PARA 2 REFTEL RECEIVED EXIT PERMISSION FROM OVIR ON
JANUARY 19. SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED THAT 19 JEWISH
EMIGRANT FAMILIES DEPARTED LENINGRAD ON JANUARY 7, A
HIGHER NUMBER THAN USUAL FOR DAYS OF INTERNATIONAL
FLIGHT DEPARTURES (PERHAPS PARTLY DUE TO SOME HAVING
REMAINED IN LENINGRAD OVER HOLIDAYS).

2. SOURCE MENTIONED SEVERAL ADDITIONAL INSTANCES RECENTLY
OF OVIR PERMISSION TO DEPART. ONE INDIVIDUAL, HIGUN,
INVOLVED IN A CASE OF ALLEGED POISONING IN CAFE ABOUT ONE
AND ONE-HALF YEARS AGO, JUST RECEIVED PERMISSION TO
EMIGRATE. TWO OTHER CASES OF FIRST APPLICATIONS
RECEIVED PROMPT OVIR APPROVAL. ONE PERSON IS CONSTRUCTION
SPECIALIST AND WINNER OF STALIN PRIZE AND OTHER AWARDS,
WHO WAS NOT RPT NOT DISMISSED FROM HIS JOB UPON
APPLICATION TO EMIGRATE AND IS NOW PREPARING TO DEPART.
ANOTHER SIMILAR CASE INVOLVES SCIENTIST AT IOFFE PHYSICS
INSTITUTE WHO APPLIED FOR EMIGRATION, ALSO WAS NOT DIS-
MISSED FROM EMPLOYMENT, AND JUST RECEIVED PERMISSION
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FROM OVIR; THIS IS REPORTEDLY FIRST EMIGRATION PERMISSION

GIVEN TO EMPLOYEE OF IOFFE INSTITUTE.

3. CONGEN CONSIDERS IT STILL TOO EARLY TO DETERMINE
THAT REPORTED EXIT PERMISSIONS REPRESENT ACTUAL LIBERALIZA-
TION BY LENINGRAD OVIR AND OTHER AUTHORITIES, BUT IT
IS SIGNIFICANT THAT NEW YEAR BEGINNING WITH FLURRY OF
EXIT PERMISSIONS. TEST WILL BE WHETHER THESE CONTINUE
IN MONTHS AHEAD.
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